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STATE CONTROLLER NAMED ITALIAN-AMERICAN OF THE YEAR

*Kathy Augustine to Receive Honor at Augustus Society
Annual Columbus Day Ball*

Las Vegas, NV. October 6, 2003. State Controller Kathy Augustine has been named the Outstanding Italian-American of the Year by the Augustus Society. The award will be presented at the Augustus Society Annual Columbus Day Ball on Saturday, October 11, 2003 at the Venetian Hotel Casino in Las Vegas.

“Being selected for this award is a true honor,” said Controller Augustine. “I have always had strong ties to my heritage and the Italian-American community. Receiving this award provides me with the opportunity to recognize the rich Italian-American culture in this state.”

Each year the Augustus Society selects an individual or family to receive the Outstanding Italian-American of the Year Award. Controller Augustine was chosen from among a select group of nominees for her dedication to public service, her history of community involvement, and her contributions to the advancement of Italian-Americans.

“We at the Augustus Society are proud to present our most prestigious award to State Controller Kathy Augustine,” said Mike Fauci, Augustus Society President. “She truly embodies the spirit of the award and the society by promoting a positive image of Italian-Americans.”

The Augustus Society is a non-profit organization of Las Vegas professional men and women of Italian-American heritage.

The event begins at 6:00 p.m. with cocktails followed by dinner, entertainment and dancing. Tickets are available for members and guests for \$125 per person. Please call the Augustus Society at 702-407-1380 for more information.

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